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### 1. WIRED: DANGER ROOM

**Inside the Navy's Big Aircraft-Carrier Budget Gamble:** "The Navy is dealing with the military's impending budget fiasco by putting its premier hardware — aircraft carriers — on the firing line. It's unexpected, but it might actually be a smart move..."

### 2. CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL MARITIME SECURITY

**A Relay Race: Communication Relay Drones:** "While it may not be as "sexy" as the ability to deliver a missile on target, the ability to maintain battlefield communications is arguably more important as it is an enabler of nearly all other actions."

### 3. USNI

**Guest post: In-Depth 3D Reconstruction of North Korea's Tongchang-Ri Rocket/Missile Testing Site Work in Progress:** "A number of people have asked me to do short write-up describing a little about the current Tongchang-ri launch pad reconstruction work that I am working and why I am doing such a project along with the methods and tools I use for the reconstruction process."

### 4. OTHER BLOGS (Rotating, based on relevant content)

#### AOL DEFENSE

**New Networks Potential Untapped Until Services Shrink Units, Strip Hierarchy:** "'If we're truly networked,' he continues, 'we have to be a military of a lot of little things. That's something most of our military has a hard time wrapping its head around.'"

#### BUSINESS INSIDER

**Esquire Fires Back At Charges That Its Story About The Bin Laden Shooter Is Riddled With Errors:** "Esquire fired back this morning at a report from Stars and Stripes, a military affairs newspaper in Washington, that claimed its story about the man who killed Osama bin Laden was riddled with factual errors."

#### CENTER FOR STRATEGIC AND BUDGETARY ASSESSMENTS (CSBA)

**New Concept For Combat Gets Workout In 3-Nation Exercise:** "The controversial strategy seeks to increase cooperation between the two services to protect allies and partner nations as well as ensure freedom of access to key areas of international air, sea, space and cyberspace, according to senior leaders of both services."

#### FOREIGN POLICY

**Cyber-Gang Warfare:** "On February 11, the *Washington Post* reported that a forthcoming National Intelligence Estimate has concluded that the United States is the target of "massive, sustained" cyber-espionage campaigns that threaten its economic future." (may require registration from non .mil computers)

**SITUATION REPORT:** (Foreign Policy's round up)

## **INNOVATION MANAGEMENT**

**Introducing New Ideas Using Analogies:** “Analogies can help people make sense of technological change and other innovations. Using them effectively relies on recognizing both their benefits and pitfalls.

## **RUSSIAN MILITARY REFORM**

**Is Shoigu reversing Serdyukov’s military reform?:** “As one analyst recently noted, ‘[Defense Minister] Shoigu’s three-month tenure consists of little more than examining and questioning every decision made by Serdiukov.’”

## **FROM THE READERS**

### **ARMED WITH SCIENCE (DoD Science blog)**

**Honoring An Innovator:** “His NRL camera still sits on the surface of the moon. A second version of this camera was sent on the 1974 Skylab space flight to study comets and was used to observe Halley’s Comet, among others.”